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Jim, [ ] write-up on substantive intelligence support to Congress for use in transision programs unfortunately creates the impression that genesis of such support to the Congress was 1973 with the advent of Bill Colby, etc. Certainly, Colby seized upon the idea of pushing substantive intelligence briefings of Congress of not only as a way to get our prime purpose for being in front of the Congress but also as a return on the investment in intelligence by having it more fully available for policy formulation.

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The omission in [ ] otherwise excellent paper is that for years the Agency has regularly provided a number of formal substantive intelligence briefings to the Armed Services Committees and Appropriations Committees as preliminaries to the Secretary of Defense's posture statement, to the Foreign Relations Committees on a variety of topics, to the Preparedness Subcommittees and Joint Committee on Atomic Energy as a condition precedent to the ratification of nuclear and ABM treaties with the Soviets and to the Senate Space Committee, etc.

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